Subject No. 187.

Kathral Tank and Sultanipur Amrut Mahal Kaval.

Summary of discussion.—As was represented last year, a second sluice should be provided for the Kathral Tank, which is now under construction. A portion of the Sultanipur Amrut Mahal Kaval should be made available for cultivation, as Government is likely to be benefited largely by this. The Deputy Commissioner has supported the application.

Dewan's reply.—The Deputy Commissioner's report on the subject will be attended to.

Subject No. 188.

Assessment under Bhimasamudra Tank.

Summary of discussion.—More than one-fourth of the irrigable lands under Bhimasamudra Tank in the Chitaldroog Taluk is lying waste for want of raiyats to cultivate the same. But raiyats from other places are not willing to come and settle owing to the heaviness of the assessment fixed on the said lands by the Survey Department. These lands may be given out for cultivation on reduced rates of assessment.

The Deputy Commissioner remarked that the assessment was not high.

Dewan's reply.—Declined.

Subject No. 189.

Sec. 248, Civil Procedure Code.

Summary of discussion.—Section 248 of the Civil Procedure Code provides that when the execution of a decree is applied for after the period of one year from the date of such decree, a notice should be issued to the defendant to show cause why the decree should not be executed. This enables the defendants or their representatives to conceal their property. The rules are clear that any payment made out of Court and not duly notified to the Court shall not be recognized. Arrest and attachment before decree are also permissible under the Code. Therefore the issue of a notice under Section 248 is unnecessary. If, however, the law on this point can not be altered, attachment and arrest simultaneously with the issue of a notice may at least be provided for.

Dewan's reply.—A little consideration will show that the present rule is sound. If the decree-holder may sleep over his decree for one year, a notice to the judgment-debtor is only reasonable. The proposed alteration of law is inexpedient.

Subject No. 190.

Public office buildings at Chitaldroog.

Summary of discussion.—The Munsiff's Court and the Taluk Cutcherry should be located in the same building. A rearrangement of public offices at Chitaldroog is necessary.

Dewan's reply.—This does not affect the public. The Government will see about it.

Subject No. 191.

Octroi on small quantities imported for private use.

Summary of discussion.—The Municipal rules say that Octroi should not be levied on articles brought for private use in small quantities. But this is somewhat indefinite. It is requested, therefore, that all articles brought for home consumption be exempted from the payment of the duty.